## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): An electronic audit system for an auditor to implement a periodical audit of an object to determine whether management of the object is performed in accordance with an International Organization for Standardization (ISO) compliant management system, the electronic audit system comprising:

an electronic test object system which includes a database storing management records of the object to be audited by the auditor though a communication device;

an electronic audit system which includes a computerized ISO compliant management system capable of being coupled to the electronic object system through the communications device:

and [[a]] the communication device for providing provides a communication line connection through a network between said audit system and said test object system; wherein

said audit system and said test object system connect via said communication device, and said audit system audits said test object system based on necessary information including management records sent from said test object system.

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2. (currently amended): An electronic audit system <u>according to claim 1, further</u> comprising:

an electronic test object system;

an electronic audit system;

a maintenance management device for maintaining and managing said test object system;

a configuration transmission device for transmitting configuration information of said test

object system to said audit system auditor;

an identification information transmission device for transmitting an ID and a password

to said audit system auditor;

an audit sequence determination device for determining an audit sequence and creating a

sequence chart showing said audit sequence;

an access device for accessing said test object system using an ID and a password

received via said identification information transmission device;

an audit device for auditing said test object system accessed via said access device in

accordance with said sequence chart and recording results;

a display device for displaying audit results obtained by audit with said audit device; and

a judgement device for judging quality of audit results based on said audit results

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displayed by said display device.

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(original): An electronic audit system according to claim 2, wherein an audit 3. sequence determined by said audit sequence determination device incorporates a site audit performed by an auditor visiting said site.

- (original): An electronic audit system according to claim 2, wherein said 4. judgement device judges operating status quality of said system for audit based on audit items, audit content and audit results displayed by said display device, and records such operating status quality in an audit results recording chart.
- (original): An electronic audit system according to claim 2, wherein within said 5. test object system, an original of a regulation document and a procedure document defining system activity are managed electronically, and record documents for recording activity comprise records managed electronically and records managed on paper, and for records managed on paper, a management thereof is computerized.
- (original): An electronic audit system according to claim 2, wherein said 6. maintenance management device monitors variations in external environment, and if a variation occurs, reflects such variation in said test object system.

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8. (canceled).

9. (previously presented): The electronic audit system according to claim 1, wherein said necessary information comprises configuration information of said electronic test object system.

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- 10. (previously presented): The electronic audit system according to claim 1, wherein said necessary information comprises an audit ID, a password and configuration information of said electronic test object system.
  - 11. (canceled).
  - 12. (canceled).
  - 13. (canceled).
- 14. (new): The electronic audit system according to claim 1, wherein the network through which the communication device provides a communication line connection is the Internet.